

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.\:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A pocket level having a horizontal bubble vial for indicating the inclination of a horizontally disposed surface with respect to the horizontal, the pocket level comprising

a generally prismatoidal body with front and rear surfaces, and a generally quadrilateral surround including a leveling surface for placing on the horizontally disposed surface and an upper surface opposite said leveling surface,

said body rotatably supporting an angle finder having a wheel rim with a bubble vial diametrically extending thereacross and having an external non-slip circumferential wheel rim surface, and

said quadrilateral surround having a throughgoing cutout ~~for enabling~~ with a length such as to limit access to a minor arc portion of said wheel rim surface thereby enabling user direct rotation of said wheel rim while said leveling surface is placed on an inclined surface for enabling determination of the

angle of the inclined surface.

2. Currently Amended) The level according to claim 1 wherein said upper surface is formed with said throughgoing cutout having a generally racetrack shape in plan view with a width and length such that only a minor arc portion of said wheel rim surface can extend therethrough for enabling access to only a minor arc portion of said wheel rim surface thereby enabling user direct rotation of said wheel rim.

3. (Original) The level according to Claim 2 wherein said body has a recess for assembly of a detachable line level having a horizontal bubble vial for indicating the inclination of a horizontally disposed line with respect to the horizontal therein such that said line level's horizontal bubble vial doubles as the pocket level's horizontal bubble vial.

4. (Original) The level according to Claim 2 wherein said body includes a pair of opposite and spaced apart raceways for rotatably supporting said wheel rim, and said wheel rim includes at least one resiliently flexible member urged against one of said pair of raceways for frictionally impeding direct user rotation of said rotatable bubble vial.

5. (Original) The level according to Claim 1 wherein said body includes a pair of opposite and spaced apart raceways for rotatably supporting said wheel rim, and said wheel rim includes at least one resiliently flexible member urged against one of said pair of raceways for frictionally impeding direct user rotation of said rotatable bubble vial.

6. (Original) The level according to Claim 5 wherein said body has a recess for assembly of a detachable line level having a horizontal bubble vial for indicating the inclination of a horizontally disposed line with respect to the horizontal therein such that said line level's horizontal bubble vial doubles as the pocket level's horizontal bubble vial.

7. (Original) The level according to Claim 1 wherein said body has a recess for assembly of a detachable line level having a horizontal bubble vial for indicating the inclination of a horizontally disposed line with respect to the horizontal therein such that said line level's horizontal bubble vial doubles as the pocket level's horizontal bubble vial.

8. (Original) The level according to Claim 7 wherein said body includes a substantially centrally disposed throughgoing recess

for assembly of said line level therein.

9. (Original) The level according to Claim 7 wherein said line level has a bottom surface formed with a groove extending longitudinally therealong and said recess has a longitudinally extending rib for snug insertion into said groove on assembly of said line level therein.

10. (Original) The level according to Claim 9 wherein said body includes an inverted generally T-cross sectioned strut with an upwardly extending elongated member whose upper portion constitutes said longitudinally extending rib.

11. (Currently Amended) The level according to Claim 1 and further including according to Claim 7

a detachable line level with a level vial therein and has a bottom surface formed with a groove extending longitudinally therealong and wherein said body has a recess for assembly with said detachable line level, said recess having a longitudinally extending rib for snug insertion into said groove on assembly of said line level therein; and

wherein said body includes an inverted generally T-cross sectioned strut with an upwardly extending elongated member whose

upper portion constitutes said longitudinally extending rib.

12. (Original) The level according to Claim 7 wherein said upper surface has a throughgoing cutout for enabling said line level's horizontal bubble vial to be viewed therefrom when said line level is assembled therein.

13. (Original) The level according to Claim 11 wherein said line level has a housing with a pair of upward facing cutouts at opposite ends and said recess has a pair of side walls each having a U-shaped retaining member with a resiliently flexible free end for snap fitting into a cutout when said line level is assembled in said recess.

14. (Original) The level according to Claim 7 wherein said line level has a housing with a pair of upward facing cutouts at opposite ends and said recess has a pair of side walls each having a U-shaped retaining member with a resiliently flexible free end for snap fitting into a cutout when said line level is assembled in said recess.

15. (Original) The level according to Claim 7 wherein a magnet arrangement retains said line level in said recess.

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16. Cancelled.

17. (New) The level according to Claim 1 wherein said pocket level body is comprised of a thermoplastic material.